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DEPT OPS CENTER PASS SECRETARY'S PARTY

FOR PICKERING FROM AMBASSADOR IN ASWAN

EO 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)
SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT - ADMIN ARRANGEMENTS

1. OUR LAST INFO BASED ON MESSAGE OF YESTERDAYAFTERNOON WAS THAT SECRETARY WOULD ARRIVE HERE 1315 TODAY. HOWEVER, WE SUBSEQUENTLY HAD INFORMAL INDICATIONS AIRCRAFT MIGHT ARRIVE ONE HOUR EARLIER. IN ATTEMPTING TO CHECK EXACT ETA, SO THAT FOREIGN MINISTER FAHMY AND PRESIDENCY KNOW FOR THEIR OWN PLANNING PURPOSES, WE LEARNED FEW MINUTES AGO (1130) THAT AIRCRAFT HAS NOT YET LEFT AS OF ONE-HALF HOUR EARLIER. IF AIRCRAFT IS STILL ON THE GROUND, IT WOULD NOT ARRIVE HERE EVEN BY 1315 AND I SHOULD IMMEDIATELY INFORM FAHMY AND PRESIDENCY. WE ARE ENCOUNTERING GREAT DIFFICULTY THIS MORNING IN SECURING TELEPHONIC COMMUNICATIONS WITH BOTH CAIRO AND OPS CENTER WASHINGTON, AND SUSPECT THESE ERRATIC COMMUNICATIONS WILL CONTINUE. WHILE OUR PARTY CAN WAIT IN ASWAN AIRPORT AS LONG AS IT TAKES, I CLEARLY CANNOT ASK FAHMY TO DO SO.

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2. I WOULD BE GRATEFUL THEREFORE IF AS SOON AS YOU ARE

AIRBORNE AND KNOW YOUR FIRM ETA YOU COULD FLASH USINT
CAIRO THIS INFO WITH REQUEST IT BE PASSED TO US AND TO
FOREIGN MINISTRY AND ALSO OPS CENTER WITH SAME REQUEST.
HOPEFULLY, ONE OR ANOTHER OF THESE HIGHLY UNCERTAIN
TELEPHONE LINKS CAN THEN GET THROUGH TO US SO THAT WE CAN
ADVISE EGYPTIAN AUTHORITIES OF EXACT ETA AND SCHEDULE
SUBSEQUENT TALKS.
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